

House Resolution No. 232

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge milestone events in the lives of Show-Me State residents who truly embody the highly positive qualities of sportsmanship, teamwork, training, and determination; and

Whereas, Marvin Murphy of Maryville attained considerable distinction as the general manager of a Maryville automotive dealership who earlier was active in the sport of softball; and

Whereas, Marvin Murphy will enhance his already impressive record of accomplishments when he is inducted into the Missouri A.S.A. Hall of Fame for Meritorious Service during ceremonies on February 12, 2005, in Rolla; and

Whereas, universally praised as “Mr. Softball” in northwest Missouri, Marvin Murphy pitched for the Northwest Missouri State Bearcats baseball team for three years in the mid-1950s and began coaching in 1956; and

Whereas, Marvin Murphy coached for nearly thirteen years before he switched the focus of his career to automotive sales and service only to return to mentoring youth in sports in the early 1980s through a coaching position at North Nodaway; and

Whereas, in addition to leading the Lady Mustangs to the 1A/2A State Championship in 1985, Marvin Murphy has coached basketball, football, and track; worked with such softball teams as the Trojanettes, the Citizen Banksters, and the Northern Stars; and served as a pitching coach at Northwest Missouri State; and

Whereas, Marvin Murphy always provided sage advice about life as well as the mechanics of a good pitch and how to win a game; and

Whereas, Marvin Murphy began his love of softball at the age of eight in Sheridan, Missouri, when he saw the local newspaper man behind his place of business fire a pitch to a catcher:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the well-deserved selection of Marvin Murphy for induction into the Missouri A.S.A. Hall of Fame and to convey to him this legislative body’s most heartfelt best wishes for continued personal and sporting success for many more years to come; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Marvin Murphy of Maryville, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Brad Lager
District No. 4

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 232, adopted January 25, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker